

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN DON RYAN**, on March 7, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 303 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Don Ryan, Chairman (D)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Carol C. Juneau (D)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (D)
Sen. Dan McGee (R)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent:

Sen. Jim Elliott (D)

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Marigail Schreiner, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only.

They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 347, HB 417, 3/28/2007
Executive Action: None.

00:00:00 Opening comments by Chairman Ryan

HEARING ON HB 347

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:51 **REP. SCOTT BOGGIO (R), HD 59**, opened the hearing on **HB 347**, Revise law on school trustee letting contracts and bids.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:27 Bob Anderson, Fort Benton School District

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00:05:50 Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards' Association

00:08:23 Bruce Messinger, Superintendent, Helena Public Schools

Opponents' Testimony:

00:09:16 None

Informational Testimony:

00:09:21 None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:30 Sen. Juneau to Rep. Boggio

00:11:43 Sen. Juneau to Bob Vogel

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:11 Rep. Boggio

HEARING ON HB 417

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:15:41 REP. GALEN HOLLENBAUGH (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on HB 417, Clarifying provisions for financing school district consolidation and annexation.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:17:44 Madalyn Quinlan, Chief of Staff, Office of Public Instruction

00:20:09 Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards' Association

00:20:37 Annie Glover, MEA/MFT

Opponents' Testimony:

00:21:05 None

Informational Testimony:

00:21:12 None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:18 Chairman Ryan to Madalyn Quinlan

Closing by Sponsor:

00:22:23 Rep. Hollenbaugh

00:23:06 Comments by Chairman Ryan

00:23:40 Comments by Claudette Morton, Montana Small Schools Alliance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:35 P.M.

SEN. DON RYAN, Chairman

MARIGAIL SCHREINER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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